
Dear Friends,

Well, here we are again at the end of another academic year. As always, a lot has happened and I hope this Newsletter has served to keep you up to date with goings on at the school?

Before you check out the articles and photos in this month's offering, I would like to highlight 2 very important issues.

Firstly, the last day of term is 1 p.m. Friday, 27th June.

Please ensure your children have removed all their belongings from their lockers by this time. All perishable items will be thrown away if not removed.

Secondly, there have been a lot of students arriving late to school in the morning and therefore missing, or being late for registration. This 10 minute period is key for delivering notices and ensuring students are settled for their academic day. Please take whatever measures are necessary to get your children into school by 8:15.

As you will know, lates and absences can affect a student's progress and this may build up to a point where they are ill-prepared to be passed onto the next academic year, so please help your child get into school on time.

"I would also like to inform you all about a sad event that occurred a couple of weeks ago; one of our Year 8 students, Joey Fong, passed away after a long and courageous battle against illness. All of us, especially his colleagues in Ms. Monteiro's tutor group and in his Dart class, will miss him very much and we send our deepest condolences to his family."

Steve Bruce-Lomba

IBCC NEWS:

We are at the end of our first year of running the IBCC and I am very happy to share with all of you some thoughts:

- This is a very demanding course due to the number of hours requested daily from the students on both campuses, OIS and ValdoRio;
- At OIS, students follow 2 DP courses plus the core of IBCC consisting of the bilingual Language Development course in both Portuguese and English, the Approaches to Learning-ATL course, the Reflective Project and the Service Learning project. Two of our students could already sit for one of their DP exams. At ValdoRio students are learning and practicing in 2 years what otherwise would take 3 in the vocational studies of their area of expertise;
- The number of school days is 230, as during the normal school year when one school is not in session the other one is, up to mid-July. Most of the extra days are spent as full days of work experience. We are proud of the reports we are getting on our IBCC students both at ValdoRio and at their working place, not only academically but also as people with strong values and work ethics.

We wish these students and the others who will be joining them soon, every success and hope they can be as successful as those students in other parts of the World who graduated this year from this newest IB programme.

Chari Empis

Principal and IBCC Coordinator

Announcements



“Bon Voyage” Nuno Miguel!

Thursday afternoon June 5th, Mariana Tavares, CEO of “Make a Wish” Portugal was invited to OIS to collect the funds that we have all worked hard to raise for Nuno Miguel. I am proud to announce that his trip to Euro-Disney is scheduled for the 17th of June and we have a few lucky students who will actually travel to the airport to wish Nuno Miguel and his family “Bon Voyage”. I would personally like to thank all those who contributed to another successful year of fundraising for a charity that I hold very close to my heart “Make a Wish”. Starting with the Christmas fair, spanning through three bake sales and finally culminating in “OIS Has Got Talent” as well as a reading competition.

I am proud to announce that we surpassed last year’s amount which is the goal I set out to achieve. Without all my proactive students this would not have been possible. A big THANK YOU from me, Mariana Tavares and Nuno Miguel!

Karen Branco

C&S Coordinator

Parent’s Club

Hi all,

Well this year has gone by so fast. The Parents Club has grown both in numbers and fun and friendship...this being the main objective, to create community and communication.

As this year’s president, I want to thank the parents that have helped, through their individual involvement, to make this year fun, productive and help create new friendships within the school.

We will soon be able to welcome a new president and secretary for next year, and although all the other parents are happily staying involved, we warmly welcome any of you to join us for meetings and the more social activities, excursions and lunches.

I want to congratulate all the parents and carers of the outgoing year 13...it is a remarkable job to support our children to reach this next stage in their lives, well done and good luck to your children for this future endeavours.

A big thank you to all the staff, both teaching and all others, for all your dedication, long hours and ongoing support during the year.

Warm wishes,

Peta Dargent

President

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Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
8.30 am – 3.40 pm						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
In-Service Day	In-Service Day	Term 1 Begins				
8:30 3:30pm Positive Teaching	ELT Meeting	4-5pm GSM Meeting				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	ELT Meeting 4.30 - DP Wine and	4-5pm DP Self- Study meeting (CM)				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	ELT Meeting	4-5pm MYP Educational team meeting (AP + Leaders)				
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	ELT Meeting	4-5pm Pastoral care Team meeting (Steve + Elena + S. Tutors)				
29	30					
	ELT Meeting					